

transportation infrastructure. It has been an economic engine for our state this past century and we must continue to work to see that our industrial base and Indiana manufacturing continue to power us forward in future centuries.

Finally, I am proud of all the hardworking people in Northwest Indiana and our state and the contributions that they have provided to our nation over the past 200 years. They have built transportation infrastructure in our state that connects rail, road, and waterway systems that traverse our nation. Our airports and ports along Lake Michigan serve as gateways to connect people and economic activity within our state to the rest of the world. Our Indiana National Guard servicemembers have also selflessly protected us every day of our past 200 years, including during the Civil War and the over 17,000 servicemembers who have been deployed overseas since September 11, 2001.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me now in celebrating the vibrant history of Indiana's steel and manufacturing industries, our unparalleled natural resources, and our industrious and courageous people, by wishing Indiana a very happy 200th Birthday.

RECOGNIZING SHERIFF GARY S. BORDERS

HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2016

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is with sincere appreciation that I recognize Lake County Sheriff Gary S. Borders for his leadership and service to Lake County. After more than 36 years of service, Sheriff Borders will retire at the end of his term in January.

Sheriff Borders began his law enforcement career with the Osceola County Sheriff's Office in 1980, and received his Corrections Officer Certification through the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission one year later. At the age of 24, he was selected as the Assistant Jail Administrator.

Sheriff Borders came to the Lake County Sheriff's Office in 1989 where he served as the Major and Chief Deputy in the Criminal Justice Operations Bureau until he was appointed Sheriff of Lake County in 2006 by Governor Bush. During his tenure, Sheriff Borders developed the agency's first cybercrimes unit and street crimes unit. The agency became accredited for the first time in 2007, and has subsequently been awarded re-accreditations.

Sheriff Borders has been a dedicated servant to our community throughout his 36-year law enforcement career. Sheriff Borders' remarkable service has also been recognized on the state level. He was honored as the 2008 Florida DARE Sheriff of the Year, Golden Eagle Honoree by the Boy Scouts of America Central Florida Council, and the 2010 Lake County Community Service Award in 2010. He volunteers on several boards including the Lake-Sumter Community College Foundation, Educational Foundation of Lake County, Crimeline Board of Directors, United Way Board of Directors, and Institute of Public Safety Advisory Board.

I am honored to recognize Sheriff Borders, and thank him for his hard work and many contributions to the Central Florida community. His commitment to excellence, leadership and service is to be admired, and may it inspire others to follow in his footsteps. My sincerest wishes and congratulations to Sheriff Borders and his family on his retirement.

HONORING 2017 RHODES SCHOLAR LAUREN JACKSON

HON. J. FRENCH HILL

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2016

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lauren Jackson, who became one of 32 American students to be named as a 2017 Rhodes Scholar to the University of Oxford in England.

A 2013 graduate of Pulaski Academy in Little Rock, Lauren became the first Arkansan to be named a Rhodes Scholar since 2003.

She received a full merit scholarship to the University of Virginia (UVA) and a \$20,000 Jefferson Public Citizens research grant to study post-traumatic stress syndrome in post-genocide Rwanda.

Currently a senior at the University of Virginia, Lauren is completing a bachelor's degree in political and social thought with the plan to pursue master's degrees in both global governance and diplomacy and refugee and forced migration studies at Oxford.

While at the University of Virginia, Lauren has been on track to pursue her goal of a career in journalism, writing as a columnist for the Cavalier Daily while serving as creative director for V Magazine and president of the Latter-Day Saint Student Association.

On behalf of all Arkansans, congratulations, and we look forward to following your continued success.

CONGRATULATING RONALD LYNN

HON. DINA TITUS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2016

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Ronald L. Lynn and commend him on 35 years of service to the State of Nevada as Director and Chief Building and Fire Official of the Clark County Department of Building and Fire Prevention. Mr. Lynn retired from his post on August 5, 2016, after serving the greater Las Vegas area since 1981.

Mr. Lynn's professional accomplishments range from local to international. He has served in multiple roles at the International Code Council (ICC), including President of the Board of Directors and Chair of the Major Jurisdiction Committee which represents the interests of cities and enforcement agencies throughout the country.

Mr. Lynn also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the International Accreditation Service and is currently on the Board of Managers for the International Evaluation Services, both subsidiaries of the ICC.

In addition, he serves as chairman of multiple organizations: the McCarran Airport Haz-

ards Area Board of Adjustment; the Nevada Earthquake Safety Council; and the Western States Seismic Policy Council's Architecture, Engineering and Construction Committee. He is a member of the Nevada Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and the Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology Advisory Committee. Mr. Lynn was also appointed to the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction (ACEHR) by the National Institute of Standards & Technology. The congressionally authorized National Institute of Building Sciences has also appointed him to the Building Seismic Safety Council.

In 2009, Mr. Lynn was recognized by the United States Congress for his contributions to the building safety community; and in 2010, he received a U.S. Senate commendation for his commitment to building safety, energy conservation, and emergency response. Additionally, Governor Brian Sandoval of Nevada declared December 9, 2010, as Ronald L. Lynn Day.

In 2012, Mr. Lynn received the Ron H. Brown Standards Leadership Award, named after the late Secretary of Commerce, in recognition of his commitment to the U.S. standardization system and conformity assessment community. He was the first code official to receive this award. As an active contributor to the development of national voluntary consensus codes and systems and as a leader in the construction industry, Mr. Lynn helped promote the important role of standardization in international trade agreements.

In 2014, Mr. Lynn received the Community Achievement Award from the Asian American Group (AAG), the Government Person of the Year Award from the International Association of Plumbing & Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), and the Western States Seismic Policy Council Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2015 he received the International Code Council's highest award, the prestigious Bobby J. Fowler Award, for his career spent leading the building safety industry.

I am proud to recognize this exceptional Nevadan and thank him for his commitment to the people of Nevada and the entire United States. I first met Ron through my father Joe Titus who was Director of Building and Safety for the City of Henderson, Nevada, and often heard him testify on important safety issues during my time in the State Senate. I wish him and his wife, Denise, all the best in their future endeavors.

HONORING CHARLIE BARRA

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2016

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise with my colleague Congressman MIKE THOMPSON today in recognition of Charlie Barra and his exceptional community service on the occasion of his 90th birthday on December 12, 2016.

Born in Calpella, California in 1926 to Italian immigrants, both from generational wine growing families, Charlie Barra and his two brothers spent their young teen years working in their father Antonio's vineyard. In 1945, when Charlie was a junior in high school, he leased